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PROCESSING OF A COAL

CONTAINING FORMATION

WITH A SELECTED MOISTURE CONTENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office action of November 18, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.